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"ACROSS PALESTINE BY AEROPLANE"

By COLONEL J. H. PATTERSON

Those who have read "The Arabian Nights" must, sometime or other in their lives, have longed to visit the scene of the wonderful exploits of the Caliph Haroun el Raschid. At all events, Baghdad had ever been to me a magic city, but I never hoped to realize my desire to wander amid its labyrinthine bazaars, and explore its tortuous byways.

Then, quite recently, I found myself in the city of my dream, alas, it fell far short of my vivid imaginings, for there were neither splashing fountains nor marble palaces, and every "abba" did not conceal the lovely form of a Scheherazade.

Nevertheless the city has a peculiar charm, and its situation on the banks of the noble Tigris gives it a certain distinction and an individuality all its own.

The country of the two rivers has had a great past, and naturally I was anxious to see the remains of the once mighty Babylon, which is situated on the Euphrates, some 60 miles to the southward of Bagdad. A few hours journey brought me to this historic site, and one of the first buildings pointed out to me was the palace of Nabuchadnezzar, the great oppressor of the Jews. As I wandered amid these ancient ruins, and remembered all the tribulations which the Israelites had suffered in these surroundings, the beautiful words of the 137th Psalm came to my mind:

"By the rivers of Babylon, there
we sat down, yea,
We wept when we remembered Zion.
We hanged our harps upon the
willows in the midst
Thereof, for there they that carried
us away captive
Required of us a song; and they that
wasted us required
Of us mirth, saying, Sing us one of
the songs of Zion.
How shall we sing the Lord's Song
in a strange land?"

Of a surety the scene of desolation upon which I gazed was most impressive. Here, buried in dust and mounds of clay, lay all that was left of Nebuchadnezzar and his vast dominions. How truly had the prophet foretold the utter destruction of Babylon, the ultimate triumph of his own people.

Before my eyes was the visible proof of prophecy fulfilled, while I knew that, away beyond the Syrian Desert, God's chosen people were even now rebuilding Zion.

Bagdad is still to be associated in my mind with something of the miraculous, for, instead of travelling in the ordinary way by rail and steamer, a veritable magic carpet transported me from the banks of the swiftly flowing Tigris and deposited me, in an incredibly short space of time, on the banks of the sluggish Nile. Although the speed of my flight was terrific, it did not in the least interfere with the wonderful panorama which unfolded itself below me on this eventful journey.

When we soared aloft from Bagdad we crossed over the Tigris, and scarcely had we lost sight of that mighty river than its twin brother the Euphrates, came into view, and when the latter in turn was crossed and began to fade away into the distance, we entered the great Syrian desert and headed towards the Promised Land.

Once during the flight engine trouble brought us down among "Kedars Tents"—somewhere midway between the Euphrates and the Jordan; we were immediately surrounded by a horde of Bedouins. They appeared from all points of the compass on camels, on horses and on foot—old men, young men, women and children—evidently astonished at the great magic bird which had alighted in their midst. Very cautious too, was their approach, and finally they stood, or squatted at a respectful distance in a great circle around us, until at last, an old Sheikh, more courageous than the rest, made so bold as to advance and timorously touch a wing of the giant bird. Then as the strange monster neither kicked nor bit, nor hissed nor spat, the remainder of the tribe swarmed forward, all full of curiosity and eagerness to examine at close quarters, what must have appeared to them, some demon, such as those we read of in the pages of the Arabian Nights. All were most friendly, chattering and uttering various exclamations of wonder and astonishment as they peeped here and there, over and under the great machine. This state of happy and childlike confidence was, however, dispelled in a startling fashion for, suddenly, the mechanic swung the starting handle and immediately the 1,000 H.P. engine emitted a terrific roar, just as if hundreds of machine guns had been loosed off in a salvo.

The panic that ensued baffles description. Women screamed, children yelled, grown men fell over each other in their haste to get away; Arab steeds, bolted for the horizon pursued by ungainly camels, gurgling in terror as they fled from the fiery monster.

When, however, these unsophisticated sons of Ishmael realized that the demon was not actually spitting lead, but only making dreadful noises preparatory to taking flight, they halted and laughed loudly at their own comic discomfiture.

A weird and desolate country is the Syrian desert, and it was with a feeling of joy, almost of home-coming, that a couple of hours later I spied ahead of me the Judean hills, and away to the right, Mount Hermon.

I looked down upon the Moab hills, possible upon Pisgah, some 5,000 feet below, and, as I surveyed the vast panorama, extending from the Lebanon almost to the gulf of Akaba and far into the "utmost sea," I realized that I was looking over an area probably more than twice as great as that which came under the vision of the great Law Giver.

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B'NAI BRITH

Henry M. Finkle was elected secretary of B'nai Brith Lodge on Monday evening, following a spirited contest with Reuben Lieberman, the first count of ballots showing a tie vote. The meeting was featured by the disclosure of considerable talent among brethren of the lodge after the adjournment when a stag party was put on.

First, the members were shown the film version of the Carpentier-Ted Lewis fight; following which one of the jazziest of jazz orchestras furnished music for a rollicking Harold Lloyd comedy. Brother Mark Markus started the ball rolling by his recitation of "Dangerous Dan McGrew." Brother Harry Horn gave a pathetic Yiddish recitation, and Brother Sol Kauffman gave an impersonation of the eminent actor, Lewis Waller, in King Henry V., taking the historic scene where the aged king is urging his men to victory.

An innovation for the next meeting will be the presence of twenty underprivileged boys in the care of their regular mentors. Brother Ralph Raphael, chairman of the Boys' Work Committee, is the moving spirit behind a plan which seeks to hearten and encourage our unfortunate "kid brothers."

The date of the lodge's next informal dance is March 1, at the Prince George Hotel.

COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

Community House

Considering the short time the Community House has been operating, the ladies of the House committee have made rapid strides in putting the house in condition for use. Electricity has been installed on the third floor. Members of the Council and the public who have not already visited the new quarters are cordially invited to come.

Too much cannot be said of the work the different groups are doing at the Community House, especially the younger group. The executive believe, with the social workers of to-day, "better save the child than put the adult in prison." Better the Community House than a detention home.

Hospital Visiting

The convenor of hospital visiting reports that the hospitals are closed to visitors owing to the flu epidemic.

Big Sister Work

A conference of the Big Sisters was held on Tuesday, January 30, at the Community House. Those present are real Big Sisters and deeply interested in their charges. Great progress has been reported in this work.

Study Circle

The Bible Class, under the leadership of Rabbi Brickner, continues every Thursday, at 1.30. Any Council member still desiring to join will kindly send their names to Mrs. J. S. Cohen, convenor.

Girls' Club

Eleven hundred young people have attended the Jewish Girls' Club during the past fortnight. The Literary Society presented a two act comedy on the evening of Sunday, January 28. A masquerade dance has been promised for Purim.

The little ones attending the sewing school classes are working diligently on many articles of wearing apparel.

Sewing Circles

Rag dolls are still being made every Monday afternoon and are for sale at $1.00. The proceeds from these sales goes toward buying the material for the community sewing, which takes place every Thursday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. Dora Stein.

Next Meeting

The regular montly meeting of the Council will take place on Thursday, February 22.

Mrs. B. R. BRICKNER

Addresses Hadassah At-Home

Palestine Arbor Day, (Chamisho Osor Beshvat) did not pass unnoticed in the Jewish community. In accordance with a custom to fittingly observe every Jewish holiday, the members of the various Hadassah Chapters, with their husbands and friends gathered together on Thursday evening, February 1, at the Zionist Building, and celebrated the New Year of the Trees.

The feature of the program was an address by Mrs. Barnett R. Brickner, who spoke on the significance of the day. Comparing the Jewish people to a tree that had been uprooted from a fertile soil, the speaker declared that only when that tree was planted again in Palestine could it flourish and thrive. The return of the Jews to Palestine was necessary for the continuance of their existence.

Mrs. Brickner congratulated Hadassah on its activities. To make Hadassah desirable should be the aim of every Chapter.

Mrs. J. Selick moved a vote of thanks to the speaker. A musical selection by Miss Florence Labelle completed the program. Mrs. David Dunkelman presided.

A new supply of china and culinary equipment was secured for the building for the occasion, and this will now be available for all other affairs.

The At-Home, apart from the fact that it was a celebration of a Jewish holiday, served to bring together the various Chapters, who all took part under the convenorship of Mrs. Pollack.

JUNOIR HADASSAH

The first official meeting of the Junior Hadassah will be held next Sunday, February 11, at the Prince George Hotel, at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

Nomination and election of officers will take place and various committees will be formed. These are the following: Membership, Literary and Program, Social, Sewing, Palestinian, Orphans, National Fund, Young Judaea, Hadassah Hospitals, Dramatic, Musical, and Publicity.

Delegates will also be elected to the Hadassah and Zionist Councils.

Although cards were sent out for this meeting, all who are interested in Hadassah work are urged to attend and enroll in the membership lists. The cards were sent out only to those who attended the organization meeting.

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TRUTH FOR SALE

By Anna Goldina Aberson

(Continued from last issue)

The creaking door again swung open, and an agile, spectacled, carelessly dressed lady with strands of hair defying their pins, entered. She rushed past without seeing him, stopped before box 407, opened it, and swept a pile of letters into her bag. His heart stood still, so still, he could not think.

She turned to the door and he saw that she was rather pretty in spite of her hasty toilette. Before he could think, she had glided out. That woman knew something of Amos Teller. Something must be done. Half automatically he followed her at a decent distance.

He saw where she lived. In that gray little cottage he would find the renowned Amos Teller. He was ready for the adventure, and rang the bell. A little negro maid ushered him into the library and then sent in her mistress. She looked neater than outdoors, though still absent-minded with a far-away look in her eyes. There were gray strands in her hair combed back from a high spiritual forehead which made her appear taller than she really was. She held his card in her hand, a puzzled look on her countenance.

"I beg your pardon," he began, rising from his chair, "I am a stranger in your town and have come to see Mr. Amos Teller."

A startled look stole into her eyes, but she did not answer.

"You are perhaps Mrs. Teller?" the young man ventured.

"How do you know that Amos Teller lives here?" she asked, ignoring his own question.

"Our magazine, the celebrated Olympia, sent me all the way down from New York to interview him. Our office had only his postoffice and city address. I have been watching box 407 from nine in the morning until you came for your mail. If you will forgive me—I followed you, Mr. Teller, perhaps I should say, the Rev. Teller, is your father or husband—believe me, it is highly important to himself and to me, that I should see him."

The least bit of a tiny smile curved about her lips. Then with a simplicity that nigh took him off his feet, she said, "You are speaking to Amos Teller right now."

"You!" his chair moved back in surprise. "You—are—Amos Teller!"

"And will my sex disappoint the 'Olympia?'" she queried, and he noticed a cynical almost bitter expression around her lips.

"Oh, no, it will make a greater sensation. New York is prepared to find you an inspired evangelist or eccentric hermit roaming the Ozarks, but being a woman, a prophetess, it will just take them off their feet! And so you are the great Amos Teller whose religious poems and articles are moulding Christian thought, whom preachers are quoting from pulpits, whose teachings are being crystalized into a new Christian sect. Why, my dear Rev. Madam, you are the most talked of personality in the East!"

She stared at him, her face white and troubled, and then, with the same artless simplicity with which she had discovered herself to him, she said, "I didn't mean it that way; really, I did not."

"Why, what do you mean?" he asked.

She was about to speak, when the pert, saucy face of the little girl he had met that day in the post office peeped into the room through the rope portieres at the right. "Mother," she said in a loud whisper, "it is five fifty-six, and the candles are ready."

With an apology to the stranger the mother followed her into the next room.

The reporter sank back in his chair, bewildered. So this was Amos Teller! Then he looked about him. The room was poorly, even shabbily furnished. The walls were full of shelves and improvised bookcases stacked full with books. There were plenty of books there. He was surprised to find a Carterville resident possessing so many books. He was sure there were not as many at the public library. As he looked closer he saw that the room held a few new and costly furnishings which seemed to stare with stiff aloofness at the rest of the poverty there. "I suppose," he told himself, "these fine new things are the results of her recent prosperity; our office has sent her some mighty big checks, lately." He rose to examine the books. They were good, mostly classic. He stopped before a long shelf and found it full of Hebrew literature. He was hardly surprised. Intuitively he had always felt the Hebraic breath in her writings, even as in the sublimest words of Christ.

Above the shelf hung a small photo of her head. He took this chance to scrutinize it well. Yes, there was the lofty brow with its deep spiritual grooves, and the dreamy imaginative eyes, religious eyes, except if one looked closer, there was a hard cynical look, worldly for all its dreaminess, perhaps due to the hard lines framing the eyes, lines of bitter disappointment.

The head was splendid. The mouth was indifferent, rather uncertain. He studied it well. And now the chin. The chin was decided in its weakness. He said to himself, "This little weak chin has the power to undo all the good which the strong lofty brow can devise. Her weak little chin might play the tiny hole in the mighty dyke of her character. Well she is like the saints of her faith—imperfect."

He was now looking at a case of Indian religious literature near the door on the right, and casually, unwittingly he looked up and saw right through the green chenille rope portieres before him.

The room he looked into was brilliantly illumined. The table was set for dinner, and in the center stood five tall brass candlesticks, and Amos Teller, the new Christian evangelist, the modern expounder of the doctrines of Christ, stood blessing the Sabbath candles in the old orthodox Hebrew way.

She turned from the sanctified lights and saw him through the hangings.

For a moment she stood still, irresolute and abashed, then walking towards him with a nervous little laugh, she said, "As you see, I am a Jewess."

"I see," Then they were both silent.

"And what will the 'Olympia' say to this?" He noticed the fine subtle edge of mockery in her voice. "You forget, that Christ and His disciples were Jews," he told her.

She turned on the light and faced him. Was he mocking her? "But I am a Jewess, an orthodox, observant Jewess."

"They will give that their own interpretation, I suppose. Blessing the Sabbath candles will then become a Christian rite and—increase its popularity among Jews." His wit made her feel uncomfortable. Then suddenly her pride and irony broke down. "Please do not tell them anything about me," she pleaded.

"I do not intend to," he returned coldly.

She was taken aback. "Why?" she queried.

"Because I, too, am a Jew."

"So? But I do not understand."

"Nor do I, why you fear to be exposed."

She was silent. At length she said "You see that I love my religion, I want my children to remain Jews."

"So?" but what about my children and ten million other Jewish children, have you a right to inveig'e them into the Christian fold with untruths?"

"Oh sir, you do not understand. I have only written the truth. I have brought to Christianity the highest, noblest—"

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Hadassah

The first card party of the Hadassah, held last Monday evening, proved an enjoyable affair. Fifteen tables of bridge and whist were played. The prize winners were, bridge: Miss Anny Jacobs, of New York; whist, Mrs. M. Lax. The hall of the United Hebrew Building was prettily decorated for the occasion with the Zionist colors. The hostesses for this affair were Mesdames J. Friester, Rottman, Taylor, Rose Levy. The next card party will be held on Monday, February 12, in the same place. The proceeds are for the Keren Hayesod.

At the meeting of the Hadassah, held last week, dainty refreshments were served, at which Mrs. H. Frieman was hostess.

United Hebrew Association

The annual meeting of the United Hebrew Association was held on January 14. Mr. Geo. Kinger acting president, in the chair. A report of the year's activities was presented by the Executive Secretary, Miss Lillian Goldstein, showing the wonderful work of the Association. The many charity cases which depended entirely on the assistance of this society had been regularly attended to. The widows and orphans being the first consideration. The Secretary showed a number of applications which had been supplied with meats, etc., and in the poorest destitution. The report was given to the members present, a vote of thanks was tendered Miss Goldstein for her splendid work. A board of trustees were elected, from which the officers were elected as follows: President, Mr. Geo. Kinger; 1st Vice-President, Mr. P. Phillips; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. S. Needler; Honorary Secretary, Mr. Geller, Treasurer, Entertainment Charity Committee, Mrs. Kaplan, Mrs. Rabern, Mrs. I. Rottman, Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Chas. Shapiro, Mrs. Kessel, Sydney Wright, Harry Shapiro, D. Goldblatt, A. A. Kaplan, Mrs. Lax, N. Freedman, H. Levy, Mr. Friedman, Auditors, Dr. Siegel, Dr. Sommer, Building Committee, Mr. Schenk, Mr. Greenbaum, Dr. Siegel.

A meeting of the Executive Trustees of the United Hebrew Association was held on Monday evening, February 5. Mr. Geo. Kinger,

EZRAS NOSHEM SOCIETY

The Ezras Noshem Society held an audit at the Jewish Hospital, on January 28. The hospital books, which were opened and kept by Mr. Brunstein, were audited by Messrs. M. Gebirtig and I. Levinter, while the society books, which were looked after by Miss Rose Goldman, were audited by Messrs. M. Zimmerman and A. Rosenblat. Both sets were found correct and satisfactorily approved by their respective auditors. Mr. Brunstein was appointed to control the hospital books. Further details and results regarding the audit will be published shortly.

In the evening a dinner was given for the board and executives, and Mr. Gebirtig, who delivered a suitable oration for the occasion, was appointed president for the evening. He gave a handsome donation to the hospital. The feature of the evening was the presentation to the chairlady, Mrs. S. Greenberg, of a beautiful loving cup. (The dinner and gift were donated by the board and executives and not a penny will be or was drawn from the treasury.). The Ezras Noshem Society wish to thank Messrs. Trachtman and Zimmerman for their enthusiastic entertainment which helped to make the evening delightful. There was raffled a string of pearls which was donated sometime ago by Mr. Frenies for the bazaar. The raffle brought $20 and the pearls went to Mr. Bloom.

RADIO CONCERT AT WESTON SANITARIUM

At the first radio concert at the Weston Sanitarium for Consumptives, on Thursday, January 25, an invitation was extended to the Hebrew National Association, which contributed the money to have same installed. Mr. A. Scher, president; Mrs. S. Lent, vice president; also a number of ladies and gentlemen of the executive were present.

Dr. Dobbie, Chief Medical Superintendent of the sanitarium, spoke on the work that the Association is doing for the hospital, and trusted that they would continue in helping the poor consumptive.

Mr. Scher replied that as long as there was an institution known as the Hebrew National Association they could trust it to help.

HERZL ZION CLUB

At the last meeting of the club a vote of sympathy and condolence was unanimously passed on the death of Dr. Nordau.

A recommendation to hold monthly club luncheons met with the unanimous approval of the body. The social committee are already making arrangements to hold the first at the King Edward Hotel. A Glee Club is also being organized for the members.

The club is carrying on a membership campaign until February 25. During this period $1.00 will be returned from the initiation fee to all applicants. Anyone over the age of 21 is eligible to join. Those seeking memberships are advised to get in touch with any member of the club or by applying in person at our club rooms, Spadina Avenue and Queen Street. Prospective members are cordially invited to inspect our club rooms and meet the boys.

The fourteenth annual dance of the Herzl Zion Club will be held February 27, in the Crystal Ball Room, at the King Edward Hotel. Many novelties will be introduced. The music furnished by "The Fountain Seven" orchestra, late of the Mount Royal Hotel, Montreal, will be one of the interesting features of the evening. Tickets may be procured from any of the member.

Great progress is being made by the Bowling teams in Orr's Business League. They finished well up in front at the end of the first series, and are doing famously in the second. Last Thursday they succeeded in winning two out of the three games played against the Strollers.

MATERNITY AID PURIM FAIR FOR REST HOME

In aid of the Mothers' and Babes' Summer Rest Home, the Hebrew Ladies' Maternity Aid Society will hold a Purim Fair on Monday, February 26, at the Men of England Congregation Hall, Spadina Avenue.

Those who remember the Rest Home remember solely with appreciation the work this institution did. The Rest Home last year was at Bronte, on the lake front. Forty mothers and eighty-six children were given vacations there, vacations that lasted from two to four weeks. The Home was an unique institution, for it was the only Jewish one of its kind in Canada. A graduate nurse, a Jewish cook and volunteer workers were always in attendance and they looked after the needs of the inmates so well that almost all recovered from their illnesses and returned to the city in good health.

The cottage was open for twelve weeks and during that short period it proved beyond a doubt the necessity for the continuance of its existence this year. Not only, however, is it the intention to continue the Rest Home this summer, it will be enlarged and improved greatly in order to accommodate a larger number.

A mere description of the work of the Rest Home is the greatest appeal that can be made for its support. In order to carry on, for funds are urgently needed, the Purim Fair, an old fashioned Purim Fair, will be held this month. Besides a pure food and sundries sale, there will be other entertainment including dancing and music.

"Y" News

Basketball

Wednesday, February 11, three snappy games are carded. The second game between the St. Johns and the "Y" Girls is for the leadership of the Ladies' League. To date, neither team has been defeated. As a preliminary game the Hasmonians are to play the "Y" Juveniles. The Hasmonians were just beaten by the St. Christophers from entering the league finals, so the game will be a lively one. The Business Men will play in the third game against an imported team. The "Y" Athletic Board have decided that the City Championship Finals shall be played at the "Y." The usual dance after the Wednesday night games will be held.

Dance

Saturday, February 10, the social committee is holding a Valentine Dance.

Theatre

Do not fail to get your reservations early for the theatre party that the "Y" is running at the Standard Theatre, on February 12. The name of the play is "Back to His Nation."

Literary

Sunday, February 4, the Amphion Club defeated the Balfours in the third debate of the "Y" inter-club series. The subject was "Resolved that France is a Greater Menace to World Peace than Germany and Russia Combined." The large assembly room was filled and it was necessary to open the doors leading into the assembly room to find even standing room for our many friends.

For Sunday, February 10, Professor Taylor, of the University of Toronto, has been procured. He will speak on "Social Problems of To-day and Yesterday."

In the House League the Exterminators were the winners of the first half of the series, and Turks were the victors of the second half. The tie will be played off this week.

Dr. Ruskin delivered an interesting lecture on diabetes last Sunday.

On next Sunday evening Rabbi Segal will lecture on "The Life of Dr. Maslan." There will also be a delightful musical program. The public is cordially invited.

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Sunday, February 12, the Union [illegible] is debating the Y.M.H.A. in the fourth debate of the inter-club series. Subject: "Resolved that Prohibition is a failure."

Bowling

Monday, February 13, the second half of the "Y" bowling series commences. All players are warned to be on time.

Cycling

Mr. J. Harris, the runner-up reports marked progress at Lenoxdale. Training by the members of this group is now being allowed to slacken. Mr. Harris is leaving for Buffalo having entered for the "Y" in the A and X competition.

Hockey

All fans are reminded that the "Y" inter-club hockey games take place on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays of each week.

TURKEY AND THE PRICE OF TEA

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Montreal

Mr. and Mrs. Lant announce the engagement of their daughter Ray to Edward, son of Mr. Manuel Lowther, and of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Lowther of Rochester, New York.

Mrs. David [illegible] Shrenski who has been visiting in New York for the past three weeks, is expected home shortly.

Miss Lea Gershon of Quebec is visiting friends in Montreal.

Mrs. H. Moses, Mrs. Bessie Stern, entertained at tea on February 9 in honour of her sister, Miss Sonia Lubell of Quebec.

Miss S. Sherman of Ottawa is visiting Miss Sonia Lubell, Sherbrooke Street, this month.

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Editorial

WHAT DID THE UNION OF AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS ACCOMPLISH AT ITS LAST CONVENTION?

Now that the Jubilee Convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations is a matter of memory only, it is [illegible] to pass in review some of the things which seemed to have preoccupied the mind of the convention. (Provided a convention may be said to have a mind. Conventions we know, have stomachs judging by the many banquets and luncheons which are arranged. Conventions have feet, we see from the balls and dances that are a part of the program. Conventions even pass resolutions, but do they have minds? (The rest wonders).

The convention was staged, as the publicity men would say, around the Back to the Synagog Movement. It was to mark a [illegible] the tendency in Israel that we don't like revivals and movements [illegible] anything. The Back to the Synagog Movement is [illegible] the Back to the Church Movement. [illegible] the synagog like the church become a soul saving [illegible] We believe that Jews keep on slipping so often [illegible] and soul confession ever so [illegible] The whole idea is foreign to Judaism and Jewish tradition [illegible] and Jewish laymen would permit [illegible] There is still another [illegible] revival movement [illegible] and that is [illegible] the synagog [illegible] The sentiment with which the [illegible] Golden Jubilee [illegible] that the synagog [illegible] campaigns, [illegible] the rabbis [illegible] the people so [illegible] convention [illegible] resolution [illegible] Reform Judaism to bring [illegible] evident to [illegible] they have been [illegible]

[illegible] was supposed to be the goal of [illegible] the convention that [illegible] the Jewish masses [illegible] of New York, is one of the things which this convention can well afford to consider as the serious part of its work. . . . . In this endeavor certain powerful obstacles must be overcome . . . . . one of the obstacles is the jargon language. In New York there is the largest jargon speaking population in the world. That this language is legitimately Jewish I deny and shall deny, though a million voices be raised in raucous denunciation of that denial. . . . . The jargon is a sign of the exile and as such does not belong and will not thrive here."

These excerpts from a "brilliant" address are amazing for the speaker's powers of prophecy and ignorance. The language which is native to the great majority of Jews is not jargon and one who calls it such stamps himself as unqualified to pass judgment on this question. The rabbi from Oregon does not know Yiddish. Therefore, he says Yiddish is non-Jewish. He does not know that Yiddish is a literary language; beautiful, rich, expressive, with an ample vocabulary and syntax, and what is more important possesses as he admits, fine literature and gifted writers. Yiddish, to be sure, has German as a base and is made up of Hebrew and other linguistic component elements. In this sense every language is a jargon. So long as Yiddish serves as a cultural as well as purely linguistic medium for millions of people it is entitled to a status among all the other literary languages of the world. Such a position Yiddish claims. Yiddish is the finest medium that the Jewish immigrant has for learning about America. The Yiddish press is his avenue to Americanization. Many an immigrant father has read Emerson and Mark Twain in Yiddish translation, whereas his native born son cannot even identify these names. It is conceded by all who are familiar with this field that the immigrant's language should be encouraged particularly as a means of familiarizing him with the ideas of Americanism.

The late Dr. Deutsch frequently urged that Yiddish be used as a means of propaganda for the principals of Reform Judaism among the Jewish masses. He realized better than all his colleagues how perverted to the Jewish masses are the ideas of Reform Judaism. Had his suggestion been taken, Reform Judaism might not have made it necessary to stage revival campaigns in New York City.

Does it ever occur to our friend from Oregon that Yiddish is the best medium of teaching our children contemporaneous Jewish life? That this method of teaching the past through the knowledge of the present is more pedagogic than the reverse methods which are in vogue. If the children of our immigrants knew Yiddish, the chasm, which now yawns between parents and child and which is so disastrous to Jewish life, would be non-existent. It is preposterous to think that Yiddish stands in the way of our people, old and young, learning English. All our people learn English, especially the youth of immigrant parentage.

It is the task of the prophet and not the priest to prophecy; and least of all in the field of a rabbi from Oregon to predict that Yiddish has no future in America. That, only time can tell. The best method, however, of guaranteeing its future is to combat it.

The convention listened to several other "brilliant" suggestions. One from an Albany rabbi for the Jews to accept Jesus as a great prophet and give him a place in the synagog. Another was from Mr. Julius Rosenwald, which urged the convention to petition the United States Congress to withdraw permission to priests and rabbis to use wine for sacramental purposes. As for the first, we ask by what rabbinic authority does our colleague from Albany give to the Nazarene the position of prophet in the synagog, and to Mr. Rosenwald we should suggest that he stick to his own last and not meddle in rabbinics.

The debates on the Palestinian issue, Harvard's anti-Semitic and undemocratic attitude, the issue of social justice and industrial freedom were inane and lacked punch. The convention seemed afraid to tackle real live issues and particularly to express itself in them.

On the whole, the convention made a very poor impression on the masses of New York Jewry by its tactlessness, its lack of courage, and its aloofness. This, however, did not prevent the delegates from Sandusky and Oshkosh from thoroughly enjoying it. They will go back undoubtedly fired with enthusiasm and will tell their friends at the next synagog social what a grand time they had.

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OTTAWA

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Under the able direction of Miss Lillian Ginsberg, two playlets will be produced early in March by the "Y" dramatic class. Miss Ginsberg has already shown much discernment in the selection of her plays and considerable talent in the direction of them, and there is no doubt whatever in the minds of "Y" patrons that the forthcoming dramatic evening will be fully up to the standard set on previous occasions.

Miss Millie Sadinsky has gone to New York and Philadelphia to visit friends.

Miss Blanche Millar, who has spent the past two weeks in New York visiting friends, has returned home.

Miss Anne Finsten, of Toronto, who has been the guest of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Venis, went to Montreal for the Dover-Lecker wedding, and on her return will again stay with her sister before returning to Toronto.

Mr. A. Pinco went to New York last week for a few days.

Miss Fannie Feller has left to visit her sister in New York.

Miss Sarah Spector has gone to New York for a visit.

The Hadassah weekly sewing meeting took place at the home of Mrs. B. Goldfield last Tuesday afternoon. Sewing was begun for the hospitals in Palestine. Among those who assisted in the tea room were the Misses Pearl Goldfield, Bee Goldsmith and Florence Sugarman. Mrs. M. Goldfield assisted in receiving the guests.

Miss D. Kaufman, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. Cohen.

Master Samuel Kronick, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Kronick, was barmitzvah and read a portion of the Law at the Rideau Street synagog on Saturday last. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Kronick received for the members of the synagog. On Sunday afternoon a number of their friends called to offer their congratulations, amongst these were Mr. and Mrs J. Kronick, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kronick, Mr. and Mrs. A. Livinson, Mr. and Mrs. F. Harman and Miss A. Lebowe, of Montreal.

Mr. Jack Lachovitz, Perth, Ont. (formerly of Ottawa) was in Montreal attending the Teitleman and Leffel wedding. While there, was the guest at the Mount Royal Hotel.

ORION CLUB

The Orion Club winners of the "Y" last year's tourney made a creditable showing at the "Y" tourney held on Wednesday, January 31, beating out the "Y" by a few points for boxing honours and winning the "Cross Cup," donated by Mr. Cross for this occasion. All of the thirteen Orion entries put up snappy and clean bouts and the outstanding boys were Messrs. Gold and Arpelles, runners-up in the finals; and Messrs. Goldstein and Bronski, winners in the finals. Mr. Goldstein is the man who had two knockouts at last year's "Y" tourney. Mr. Bronski created the surprise of the evening by beating Mr. Cowitz, a man much bigger than himself. All the boxers boxing under the Orion colors will receive suitable gifts from the club and a social evening will be held in their honor. The Cross Cup will be presented to the club formally in a few weeks by the "Y." The Orion Carnival held last Sunday at the club rooms was another good time. Various forms of entertainment were used to keep the members in laughter, the outstanding entertainers of the evening being the Misses E. Shusterman and E. Posen, toe dancers and singers. Another social and literary evening is to be held on Sunday, February 19 when Messrs. A. Richtiger and C. Feigenbaum will meet Messrs. L. Caiden and I. Freidman, to debate a well discussed topic. The Orion seventh annual dance is to be held at Oddfellow's Temple, College Street, on Friday, March 23 instead of March 9. The Orions have secured a popular eight-piece orchestra for this dance and various prizes will be offered to those giving the most suitable names in the "Naming the Orchestra Contest."

DE SOLA CLUB

The De Sola Club announces a dance to be held under the auspices at the Assembly Hall of the Jewish Institute Sunday, February 26 8.30 p.m.

I. Heller, head of the dress manufacturing firm of I. Heller & Co., 111 West Thirty-second Street, New York City, has turned over his business to the five executives who have served him so loyally in developing it and he will remain active as consultant.

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What is lacking, especially in our community, is a variegated pattern, a clashing and contrasting of temperaments, élan, spontaneity. Communal life is appallingly drab here. Mainly because the individual does not express the unique in his personality. We do not act as we please, rather we do what is expected of us. There is, to use a word, beloved of a ribald friend of mine, too much exhibition." "H." in U. of T. Menorah.

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One small good word may be spoken for the Ku Klux Klan and we bear the distinction of finding it in a world which hates those white kimonas. The Klan has at least partly settled the momentous question of the discovery of America by eliminating the Jews and Catholics which it hates with such fervor that it prefers to give credit to Leif Ericson rather than have either of the despised sects receive credit. That it was Ericson who did the deed a thousand years ahead of schedule satisfies us and we wish it might please all the Columbian-lovers so that these protracted discussions might cease to disturb the appetite a number of people out of work this winter.

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"Dr. Hirsch was widely known as a man of great intellectual gifts, and he attracted even more attention among the public by the strong and unorthodox views which he held concerning the Jewish faith, views which he never hesitated to express, whatever the surroundings. A Reformed Jew of an extreme type, he held among other beliefs, that the Jewish Sabbath need not necessarily be celebrated on a Saturday, and that the Scriptures should not be treated as a dead letter but as elastic and capable of interpretation according to the needs of the age, two opinions which are directly opposed to the orthodox Jewish religion. Dr. Hirsch was bitterly opposed with regard to other matters and many were the occasions when he flayed society in general for what he considered their vices and failings. One suggestion of his was for a new account of the Bible for the benefit of the millionaires' sons. He declared their ignorance and general lack of education in the Bible was far greater than that found among the poor. He compared these sons of rich men unfavorably with the people of the Ghetto. He was even more severe on the wealthy members of his own faith. He accused them of disloyalty and lack of sympathy and compared them unfavorably with the Jewish immigrants. While the latter gave freely and their homes for their religion, he declared many Jewish women of Chicago abrogated their religion to show off their jewels. — Chicago Tribune.

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Here's another story—the last Harry Lauder is telling.

A Scotchman and a Jew in a bitter argument relative to their financial abilities. There was a near fight when one of the Hebrew antagonists suggested as a test of wits that they pluck a hair from the head of the other and note which of the amazement of the Scotchman, who offered the plucked hair to the Jew. Sticking it reverently in his mouth, the Jew said: "Sir, I am a Jew. Jews are taught to respect the dead. Therefore, I will temporarily keep this hair in my mouth." Whereupon the Scotchman plucked another hair from the head of the Scotchman. "Sir, you are eating pork in violation of the Scriptures." The Highland Scotch

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Spinoza is universally regarded as one of the greatest religious and ethic philosophers that the world has ever had, yet he was excommunicated from the synagog for heresy. The lecture will treat of the influence of Spinoza's philosophy and the reasons for his heresy trial.

Sabbath morning services on February 10, at 10.45, will be a special children's service. Rabbi Brickner will preach a children's story sermon. Pupils of all the religious schools of the congregation will attend in a body. Parents are urged to come with their children.

Confirmation Class

The classes meet once a week from February up to confirmation time. Those wishing to attend these classes please get in touch with Rabbi Brickner.

Junior Society

The Junior Society will hold a literary meeting next Sunday morning, February 10, at the Community House, 44 St. George Street. A debate will be presented on the subject, "Resolved that Canada needs Industrial as well as Agricultural Immigrants." The members who will debate are, for the affirmative, Messrs. N. Levy, J. Montagnes and B. Kosky, and for the negative, Messrs. S. Rosenbaum, S. Keyfetz and H. Kosky. The judges will be Mr. H. Rotenberg, Mr. J. Greenberg and Mr. I. Ginsberg. The musical part of the program will consist of a piano solo by Miss Flossie Hunner and a violin solo by Mr. Lionel Singer.

Temple Sisterhood

On Wednesday afternoon, February 14, at 2.30 p.m. the Sisterhood will hold a novel meeting in its rooms, 115 Bond Street. A creation story program in a series of seven episodes representing the seven days of creation will be given. Every member of the Sisterhood is privileged to bring a friend to this meeting. The program and those participating in it will be as follows: the first day, Hymn, "Let There be Light," Miss Lilian Wechsler; the second day, recitation, "The Cloud," Miss Ruth Lavine; for the piano, "Morning," Miss Florence Singer; the third day, an interpretative dance in costume, dance of the flowers, Miss Beatrice Hunner; the fourth day, recitations, a, The Sun, Miss Dorothy Marker; b, The Moon, Miss Maxine Singer; c, The Stars, Miss Ruth Singer; for the violin, "To the Evening Star," Mr. Lionel Singer; the fifth day, reading, "Ode to A Skylark," Mrs. Sigmund Lyons; solo, "The Trout," Miss Lilian Wechsler and Miss Florence Singer; the sixth day, an animal story, told by Miss Audrey Mehr; a short talk on man by Rabbi J. R. Brickner; the seventh day, "Hallelujah," Miss Lilian Wechsler. The program will be followed by a social hour and refreshments. The Sisterhood announces to its members that the amount of money realized at the recent bridge was $188.30. This money was devoted to the building fund.

Those who contributed to the floral fund during the month of January were, Mrs. Sam Kronick, in honor of wedding anniversary; Mrs. Sol Lorie, in memory of her father; Mrs. Wm. Goldstein, in honor of wedding anniversary; Mrs. B. Harris, in memory of her father.

Mrs. Sigmund Samuel presented the Sisterhood with a gift of $25, for the building fund.

All ladies, who are members of the congregation and who have not yet joined the Sisterhood, are urged to join immediately by telephoning the treasurer, Mrs. Arthur Cohen, Trinity 2500. The Sisterhood is planning some interesting activities and we should like to include every member of the congregation. The dues are $2.10 a year.

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Sabbath Services and Sermon

The services on Friday evening, February 9, will commence at 5.30, and the Sabbath morning services at 9 o'clock. After the reading of the section of the week, Exodus 18: 1-20, 26, Rabbi Siegel will deliver a sermon on the topic of

"The Modern Decalogue"

How far has the Decalogue of Moses become part and parcel of our civilization? What credit has been given to the Jew for holding aloft the tablets of the Law and teaching the nations the dictates of morality? The interesting differences between the First and the Second Covenant will be dwelt on particularly in this week's sermon.

Purim Celebration

The Goel Tzedek Religious School is preparing to celebrate Purim this year in a manner commensurate with the native cheer and joy of that holiday. Class V. and VI. are rehearsing an interesting playlet and pupils of the other classes are preparing appropriate recitations for the occasion. The exact date and place of the celebration have not been decided on yet and will be made known after the arrangements are all completed. In addition to the special Purim numbers the program will also provide a few accessory items that will serve as "fillers." The committee in charge of the celebration will consist of members of Sunday School, Committee of the Auxiliary and a few members of the Y.P.L.

WOMEN'S AUXILLARY

Owing to the 'flu the regular monthly meeting will not be held this month.

B'NAI YISROEL HAMEZROCHIM BERKLEY STREET SYNAGOG

The children of the east end were given a jolly treat Sunday, by the B'nai Yisroel Hamezrochim, Berkeley Street Synagog, in celebration of Chamisho Osor Beshvat. Rabbi J. Siegel gave a talk on the significance of the festival. A musical program followed, consisting of vocal, Miss Beatrice Levinson; violin, Mr. J. Madorsky and Mr. B. Tobias; accompaniments, Miss Ada Levinson. The committee in charge were Mr. L. Levinson, Mr. J. Milken and Mr. M. Rumack.

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A large gathering of unusual interest took place Thursday last, at the Zionist Institute, the joyful occasion being the celebration of Chamisho Osor Beshvat (Palestine Arbor Day). Though one of the minor festivals of Jewish tradition, it was fittingly celebrated with the fruits from Palestine at the "at-home" given by the Toronto Hadassah Council. The entire building was en fete and was decorated with palms and ferns. Mrs. M. Pollock was in charge of the arrangements which were smartly carried out. At the entrance to the auditorium the officers of the Hadassah Council received Mrs. David Dunkelman, Mrs. S. Greenfarb, Mrs. J. Selick and Mrs. Samuel Kronick. Mrs. B. R. Brickner talked on the import of the celebration, after which Miss Labell entertained with two vocal selections. Tea was served in the reception room and rotunda from long tables which were beautifully arranged with yellow candles and silver baskets filled with daffodils. Mrs. W. Winkler, Mrs. M. Kates and Mrs. D. Fauman poured tea and the assistants were: Mrs. Frank Hutner, Mrs. S. M. Mehr, Mrs. L. Sapero, Mrs. M. Pivnick, Mrs. B. Vise, Mrs. Abromowitz, Mrs. T. L. Granovsky, Mrs. Wolfson, Mrs. M. Goldzaeler, Misses Belle Stern, Elizabeth Wlado, Dollie Levinter, Lillie Papernick, Betty Goldstick, Miriam Wolfson and Adeline Miller.

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Mrs. Abraham Cohen, Hilton Avenue, gave a smart luncheon and bridge last week.

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Mr. Julius Eisman, Poplar Plains Road, spent a few days in New York.

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Mrs. M. Singer, Kendal Avenue, was hostess at a dinner party Tuesday last in honor of Mrs. David Wolpaw of Cleveland.

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Mrs. Ira Levy, Raglan Avenue, entertained at her home at bridge Tuesday.

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Mrs. Barish, of New York City, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Epstein, St. Clair Avenue West.

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In celebration of the twelfth birthday of their son, Russell, Mr. and Mrs. James De Young Greenberg entertained twelve of his friends at a birthday party. The dining room where the children gathered was gay with red and white valentine decorations. Guessing contests and various games made a jolly afternoon for the young guests.

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Mrs. L. A. Maldaver was hostess at a delightful musicale given at her home, King Street West, Sunday evening. Selections were given by Mrs. M. Pollock, Miss Fannie Silverman, Miss Bodley, Miss Gold, Miss Ginsberg, Miss E. Samuels, Cantor Zaslovsky, Mr. Simon, Miss Fannie Goodman and others. Miss Marks and Miss Goodfellow played the accompaniments. A buffet luncheon was served.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph King of Whitby, are visiting in Pinehurst, N.C.

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Mrs. Joseph Tarshis, Kendal Avenue, invited a few friends in to bridge Wednesday last. Three tables were played.

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Mrs. Joseph K. Watson, who was visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Taube, Parkdale, before leaving for Buffalo and Cincinnati, entertained twenty-four children last week in honor of the tenth birthday of her daughter, Goldine. A pretty color scheme of white and yellow was carried out in streamers. The table was attractive with yellow candles, daffodils and Valentine favors.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Granatstein, Madison Avenue, will sail on the Olympic for Europe, February 16. During their stay they will visit England, France, Germany and other countries.

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Dr. and Mrs. B. Bregman entertained at a week-end dinner in honor of Dr. and Mrs. H. P. Fine. Covers were laid for twelve. Bridge and dancing followed.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. Geller, Huron Street, have returned from Montreal, New York and Atlantic City.

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Mrs. Sigmund Brody is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Brody, Windsor, Ont.

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Mr. S. Kronick, Madison Avenue, spent a week in Montreal.

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The patronesses for the Valentine dance to be given by the Toronto Boot and Shoe Society, at the Masonic Temple, Yonge Street and Davenport Road, on Wednesday, February 14, will be Mrs. M. L. Willinsky and Mrs. David Dunkelman. The proceeds of the dance will be used to equip the reading room of the new Jewish Children's Home.

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Dr. Shayne, of Montreal, was a guest in the city for a few days.

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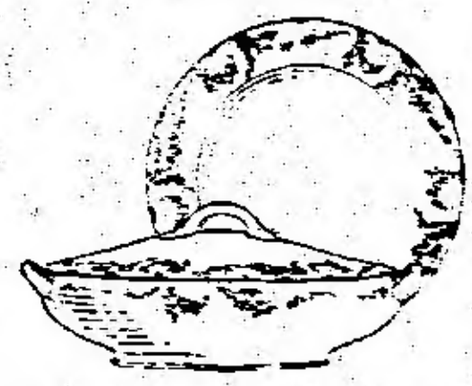

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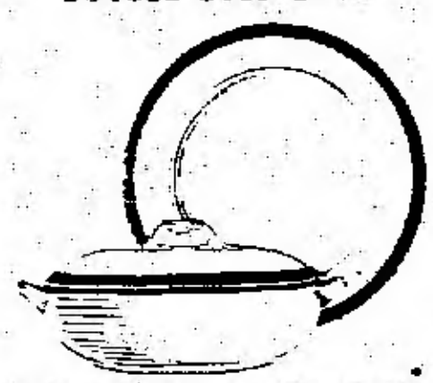

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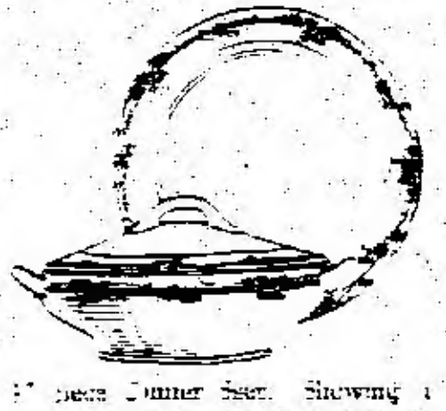

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Miss Ethel Mehr, Lyndhurst Avenue, returned Monday from a few weeks' visit to Detroit and Cleveland.

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Dr. and Mrs. A. I. Willinsky entertained about thirty friends at their home, on Madison Avenue, Saturday evening, at a formal bridge and dance.

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Miss Gertrude Teich, Markham Street, will return from New York City to-day, accompanied by Miss Augusta Nass, who will be her guest during her visit in the city.

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Mrs. M. Mehr, Lyndhurst Avenue, entertained at her home at bridge Monday and Tuesday afternoons of last week.

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Mrs. James De Young Greenberg, Wright Avenue, invited a few friends in Thursday last.

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Mrs. Harry Levine, Grinthorpe Road, has as her guest, Miss Pauline Gould, of Ottawa.

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Mr. William Sugarman, of Edmonton, who has been visiting in the city, has left on his home.

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Mrs. David Weisaw left Monday for her home in Cleveland, after visiting Mrs. [illegible].

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Mrs. [illegible], Osgoode Mansions, has returned from New York.

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The first of a series of entertainments to be given by the members of the Senior Section was held at the home of Mrs. [illegible], 28 Dundonald Street, on Monday afternoon, 5. This entertainment took the form of a bridge. About thirty-five were present. Mrs. [illegible] won a hand bag of beaded georgette. The proceeds of these affairs will go to the Community House. The hostesses on this occasion assisting Mrs. Cross were Mrs. [illegible], Mrs. Joe Danson and Mrs. Coleman Miller.

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Mrs. David Kaufman entertained Saturday last at a whist and bridge. Seventeen tables were played and the prize winners included Mrs. Rose, of Detroit; Mrs. Isaacs, Rosenberg and Mrs. Goldman.

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Mrs. P. Turner, Beaconsfield Street, was hostess at a whist and bridge at which eight tables were played. The prize winners were Mesdames M. Cohen, Fell and A. Kaplan, senior.

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Miss Dora Goldstein, of Massey Terrace, is spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. H. Cohen, Lansdowne Avenue.

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Mr. Sydney Tannenbaum has returned from Montreal, where he spent a few days.

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A musical surprise party was given in honor of Miss Sydney Abrahams, prior to her departure for Detroit, on Saturday evening last.

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Miss Fannie Fisher, High Park Avenue, entertained Thursday last at bridge in honor of her sister, Mrs. Fisher, of Boston.

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Mrs. Benj. Rosenbrock, Avenue Road, entertained a few friends at bridge last week.

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A card party and dance was held at the home of Mrs. Lyons, Bathurst Street, on Monday evening last.

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Mrs. Sam Rosenberg, Markham Street, entertained a few friends at bridge last week

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Miss Sadie Freedman entertained at a week-end whist at her home. Prizes were won by Miss Leha Lerner and Mr. Max Hart. A buffet luncheon was served.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. Pomer, Gladstone Avenue, are leaving for New York City.

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Mr. and Mrs. Saul Dubros (nee Eva Goldstein) have returned from their wedding trip to Detroit, Chicago, Indiana and Kentucky.

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Mrs. L. Paisner and son, who were guests in the city for a few weeks, have returned to their home in Windsor, Ontario.

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Mrs. Max Clavir, Manning Avenue, has returned from a nine weeks' stay in New York City, where she visited relatives and friends.

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A delightful tea was given during the week-end at the home of Miss Fanny Dubros in honor of Miss Sara Cliner who has recently returned from New York. The hostesses were: Misses Annie Tatelbaum and Rose Slatkin. Master Emmanuel Dubros entertained at the piano during the afternoon.

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The Rose Caplan Girls, held a skating party at the Varsity Rink, followed by a Dutch supper and dancing at the home of Miss T. Silver, Nassau Street.

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Miss B. Couts, of Danforth Avenue, entertained at her home Sunday evening for Miss A. Gould and Mrs. F. Mauls, two brides-elect of this month. The evening was spent in playing cards and the prize winners were: Misses R. Aarons, L. Levy and A. Gould. Refreshments were served and Miss B. Couts gave a vocal solo; the Misses Marion Jackson and Rose Levine, piano solos.

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A pleasant evening was spent Sunday last at the home of Mrs. L. Garfinkel, Brunswick Avenue, when the Misses J. Davis and H. Dorsht were hostesses at a whist party. Four tables were played. The prizes were won by Miss S. Jolofsky and Mr. H. Salkowitch.

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Mrs. Alfred King and Mrs. B. Ludwig were hostesses at a shower and bridge given in honor of Miss Lena Kleiman, a bride-elect of next week. Eight tables of bridge were played and three prizes were given.

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A delightful surprise party was given in honor of Miss B. Bornstein, Sunday, at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. Bornstein, Gerrard Street East. Messrs. Boris Sandler and David Bornstein were in charge of the arrangements. Dancing and music took place. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. I. Bornstein.

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The Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity entertained Sigma Alpha Mu at a smoker at their new residence, Markham Street on Wednesday evening.

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Mr. and Mrs. David Goldblatt, 630 Christie Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Ray, to Mr. Israel Rothbart, Phm.B., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Rothbart, 194 Indian Road, the marriage to take place March 15.

BORN

To Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Segal, 97 Brunswick Avenue, at the General Hospital, January 28, a daughter, Ruth Selma.

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At Farrington Court, Saturday, January 21, to Mr. and Mrs. S. Caplan (nee Rickie White), a son.

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An organization meeting of the Council was held January 15, at the Zionist Building. The following are the officers elected for the next term: Mr. A. C. Solomon, president; Mrs. I. Cohen, vice-president; Mrs. J. Selick, secretary; Mrs. S. M. Himel, treasurer; Mr. D. Abromovitch, chairman of the Keren Hayesod Com.; Mr. I. Wolfson, chairman of the national fund com.; Mr. A. Faushevsky, chairman of the propaganda com.

MR. A. C. SOLOMON

President Herzl Men Club and recently elected President Zionist Council.

A vote of thanks was rendered by the Council to Mr. Harris, retiring chairman, who outlined the big work before the Council in Keren Hayesod and National Funds.

Mrs. D. Dunkelman told of a plan for raising money for decorating and refurnishing of the building by the Hadassah.

MR. JESS KAPLAN

Obituary

Montreal

The Winter Carnival is to blame! Absolutely! After all, it stands to reason that fifteen women who would be Queens are more than enough to get any city into trouble. We haven't checked up on the casualty list, yet—we've been too busy. There was a time when one sallied forth a-skiing—kept an eagle eye open for trees, sharp curves and snags and all went well—! Those days have went; nevermore to return. Now, on yon slopes of Mount Royal, there are traffic policemen, squads of 'em, to see that the skiists, snow-shoe-ers, tobogganists, hikers and all things appertaining, which includes photographers, Pathé News Men, Committees of "Judges for Sports Beauties," Committees of "Welcome to Our Carnival," tourists, and fifty-eleven lodges; well! the traffic squad is there to direct them this way and that way, to the left, to the right, to the hospital and to the cemetery. (Both of which last are conveniently close.) It's no use! Life has lost its zest! Shucks! We can still come along the Serpentine, if we want to, but what're we gonna do if somebody snaps us just as we come round the third bend into a snow bank? After all these people from Terre Haute and Novak didn't ask us to hold a Winter Carnival! We just went ahead. And we did it! We certainly did! We can't understand these tourists wanting to hang around and get frozen, just so's they can see us come along an icy track minus hats, gloves and all sense of rythm and grace but, if they want to do it, it's their privilege. Likewise, we see nothing picturesque in a tobogganist who slides over half-a-dozen saplings and ends up by hugging a noble oak, but if these tourists came to take the memory back to Utah via Kodak—what's one gonna do? After all we gotta be reasonable!

We've been listening to election prophets all day. Mr. Joseph Cohen, Peter Bercovitch or Friend Budyk. Which? If any! Oh well, by the time this appears we'll know. Which is one comfort.

The Temple Emanu El dance is coming off on Monday, February 12, at the Mount Royal.

Judge Jacob Asher, of Worcester, Mass., visited Montreal this week as the representative of the District Grand Lodge No. 1, I.O.B.B., in order to conduct the installation of officers of the Mount Royal Lodge, No. 729. The installation exercises took place on Sunday, February 14, at 3 o'clock, in Salon "O," of the Mount Royal Hotel. The following officers were installed: Max Beonfeld, B.A., B.C.L.; President; Horace Cohen, B.A., Vice-President; David J. Shoemar, B.C.L., Secretary; S. McKinley, Treasurer; Reuben Althouse, Financial Secretary; Simon Kirsah, Ph.D., Monitor; Samuel Cutner, Assistant Monitor; Trustees, Lionel Coviensky, J. P.; Louis Faber, Jabob Cohen; Guardian, Simon Hopmeyer; Warden, Dr. N. Freedman. The meeting was opened by Simon Kvish, who called upon Mr. M. Broustien who rendered several vocal selections. The officers were installed by Judge Asher, assisted by Mr. Marcus M. Sperber, K.C. After the installation of officers, Mr. Adolf Gardner, B.A., B.C.L., played a piano solo. A presentation was made to the retiring president, Dr. Simon Kirsch, of a gold watch fob bearing the insignia of the Order of B'nai Brith. Judge Asher gave an extremely interesting talk on the work of B'nai B'rith, stressing the fact that in a city like Montreal, with a population of 70,000 Jews, we should have a membership of at least 1,000, and that there should be in a community like ours more people ready "to give" rather than "to get." He touched also on the importance of supporting the Y.M.H.A. and kindred institutions since there institutions were composed of feature members of B'nai Brith. The following were called upon and made brief addresses along the same lines touched upon by Judge Asher: Dr. Herman Abramovitz, Lyon Cohen, J. Livinson, Sr., Among those present were: Marcus M. Sperber, K.C.; Lyon Cohen, Dr. Herman Abramovitz, J. Livinson, Sr., Arthur Levin, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bramson, Adolf Gardner, Leo Livingstone, Mr. Geo. Rabinovitch,

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The local Council of Jewish Women is holding a gala entertainment at the Shaar Hashomayim Community Center on February 13, the proceeds of which will go towards re-establishing summer schools in the poorer sections of Montreal this coming summer. Miss Dora Harris is arranging a series of tableaux that will depict the history of the Jews throughout the ages. Among the young ladies taking part in the tableaux are Miss Minnie Finbrook, Miss Jean Goldstein, Miss Anna Louis, Miss Esther Levitt, Miss Bessie Louis, Miss Bobbie Rosovitz, Miss Ethel Hecht, Miss Rose Zesser, Miss Queenie Klineberg.

At the last meeting of the Baron de Hirsh Book Club, Mr. Maurice Hartt, delivered an address on "Great Movements in Literature." Miss Julia Bieber played several Chopin melodies. There was a humorous reading by Mr. Louis Jason, and one or two victrola reproductions of the famous speeches of great men. The program concluded with an open discussion.

Winnipeg

Mrs. Mat Wolfe, Salt Lake City, Utah, is a visitor in the city and while here is theguest of Mrs. Max Mitchell, Evanson Street.

Mrs. N. Cates, Bartlett Avenue, was a charming tea hostess recently when she was at home to a large circle of friends in honor of Mrs. Raphael, Fort William and Mrs. Yacht, Moose Jaw. The pretty tea table centred with daffodils was presided over by Mrs. Wolch.

Mrs. J. Korman, Lancaster Apartments was hostess at a dinner recently in honor of her brother, Mr. Sidney H Weidman. The table was effectively centred with a birthday cake and candles. Covers were laid for six.

Miss Thelma Rackow, Dominion Street, arrived home Saturday, January 27, having spent the past three months in Montreal and New York.

Mrs. M. Granovsky announces the engagement of her daughter, Anne, to Max Katz, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Katz.

In honor of Miss Alice Green, Mrs. J. Korman, Lancaster Apartments, entertained at bridge Tuesday afternoon, January 30. The guests of honor was the recipient of a dainty gift and Mrs. J. Weidman won first prize and Mrs. A. Weidman second. After cards a few additional guests dropped in for tea which was served at the small tables which were centred with daffodils.

Mrs. L. Morosnik, Lyndhurst Apartments, entertained at bridge recently, Mrs. J. Korman winning first prize and Mrs. B. Levi second. Later a dainty tea was served at individual tables.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Gunn, Burrows Avenue, are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter.

Miss Sybil Weidman, Furby Street, was hostess to a bridge club Sunday afternoon, January 28, the prize winner being Miss Sadie Black. Tea was served later.

Mr. George Shapiro, Montreal, passed through the city this week on his way home and while here was a guest at the Royal Alexandra Hotel.

Mrs. J. Korman was a bridge hostess Wednesday afternoon, January 31. Mrs. H. Master won first prize and Mrs. H. Genser second. Later tea was served at the individual tables centred with red tulips.

An interesting and enjoyable concert was held under the auspices of the Winnipeg Chapter of the Hadassah to a capacity house at the Allen theatre, Sunday evening, January 28, the arrangements being in charge of Mrs. Sokolowsky. Those contributing to the programme were: Mrs. L. Chechik, Madam Bertha Britnier, Miss Bernice Tissman, Miss Ada Stockhammer, Miss Gabriel Moffatt, and the Messrs. Frank Redlich, H. Rufus Isaacs, John Waterhouse, Edward McGarvey, Chas. Manning, Harold Green and E. Bennett.

Mrs. M. Mitchell, Evanson Street, was hostess at two delightful bridge parties in honor of her guest, Mrs. M. Wolfe, the first one being Thursday afternoon, January 25, at which the prize winners were first, Mrs. John Sternberg, and second, Mrs. H. Genser, and the second one took place on Monday, January 29, at which the guest of honor was presented with a lovely gift, and Mrs. S. Hart Green won first prize, and Mrs. S. L. Goldstine second. The rooms for the latter occasion were effectively decorated with roses and carnations and tea was served at individual tables.

Nordau Memorial

At the last meeting of the B'nai Brith, reference was made to the loss sustained by Judaism at the death of this famous Zionist leader and the silent standing vote of the order was tendered.

At the Friday evening service of the Shaarey Zedek Congregation, Rabbi H. J. Samuels took as the subject of his sermon the life long service rendered by Dr. Nordau to the cause of Zionism, making reference to his association with Dr. Herzl and his continued struggle to further the aims and objects as propounded by the great origination of the movement.

Mrs. H. J. Cohn, Lisgar Avenue, Norwood, entertained at bridge Wednesday afternoon, January 31. Mrs. S. Robinson won first prize and Mrs. I. Goldstine second. After cards a dainty tea was served at small tables.

A meeting of the new Chapter of the Hadassah was held on the afternoon of February 1, at the Shaarey Zedek Synagog in celebration of the Chamisho Osor B'Shvat. Rabbi Samuels addressed the assembly and explained the significance of the day in a most interesting manner, and expressed the hope that this new chapter would be successful in its efforts to bring about closer relations between the people here and those in Palestine, and that those at home should be made as familiar with the institutions there as with their own local ones.

A message was read from Mrs. A. J. Freiman, Dominion President of the Hadassah congratulating the new Chapter on its formation, wishing it success and extending a hearty welcome to them.

An interesting paper was read by Mrs. L. Shallet upon current events and a vocal selection was rendered by Mrs. B. Laxer. Palestinian fruit was served by the committee and a number of new members enrolled.

Sympathy is being extended to Mr. H. Grossman, Argyle Apartments, at the death of his sister, Mrs. H. Herman, Vancouver, B.C., which took place this week.

Albert D. Hunter was recently elected president of the Associated Jewish Charities of Baltimore.

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TRUTH FOR SALE

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He cut her short. "Don't tell me that I know now what you have done. You have popularized, adulterated and soiled our Judaism to meet their taste. You have betrayed your own birth-right, and why? Why have you done this? Why do you not write for your own people the pure, true Judaism? Why, like Paul and all the apostles do you drag your beautiful Judaism down to the Gentile? Is not our House a House for all peoples? Let them come to drink from our pure springs. Why must you robe Christianity in our own legends which will in the end only prove a mistit? And with these perversions they will come to lure our children into their fold."

"Oh, do not be so hard," she pleaded. "I cannot yet see that it is so wrong. I do not wish to make my children strangers to my soul, but may I not, with a little change offer the beauties and truths of my faith to another? We Jews, as you have said, have given the Christians their religion. We give them everything. Do not Jewish manufacturers devise all sort of trip-trop to make their Christmas attractive to them? Why, I have often thought that our own merchant Jews must have invented their Santa Claus for them."

"That may be true," he yielded, finding it difficult to check the smile that her clever repartee brought to his lips, "but has it ever occurred to you that the inventor of Santa Claus or Christmas tree furnishings may with their own unwilling hands thrust their own children into the Church? What if your children and mine find Christianity beautified with the Jewish glorious epithets of God which you lend it, should be attracted by it, and desert us?"

"God forbid," she murmured quickly, and then on second thought, added, "and yet, what can it matter since it will be the same Judaism?"

"But will it be the same?" he demanded. "Has the Judaism that Christianity borrowed from us retained the pure truth that it was? Christian Judaism, you know, is a monstrosity."

She stood rebuked. Then the hard lines crept back into her face and for a moment all the spiritual beauty of her countenance seemed erased. Her inner self was writhing for victory. Her voice rang out hard and cold. "I decide it is you say about Judaism, but what about our Jews? Do they deserve this neglect? Must Judaism not be alternative for them also? Do you think I write these things for Christians? No! I write them for Jews. I was left a helpless widow, with my father's unfinished work on my hands. I must write. I must give the Jewish people of to-day what they want. I write articles and stories to help my people. I write to make a living for my children. I write to help Israel. I write to help Israel. I write to help Israel

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Furnished. A host of seraphim were painted on the ceiling, and on the walls he saw the visions of the prophet—a little child leading the beast of prey, the fold and the jungle grazing together, and other dream gifts of the Jew. "Ah, she has given them our loveliest treasures," he murmured half resentfully. Looking closer, he now beheld a pair of corporeal arms supporting a sea of bleeding hearts. Quickly he averted his eyes. "I knew it would be a perversion, a monstrosity," he told his heart bitterly. "They must still have flesh to worship." And then he saw, among other saints Magdalen.

"Ah, if that woman could but see her handiwork," he thought. "See where she has thrust her truth. It is like the tragedy of Hamlet I saw played in Mexico. The last act was a bull-fight."

And now the pulpit took his attention. A conversation was taking place, a brother and sister were coming to Christ. The boy and girl raised their heads for the benediction, and then walked off the pulpit to their pew. There was something so familiar in their faces! The man had forgotten even the ceremony, in thinking. "What a coincidence!" he thought. There was a seat in their pew—throwing propriety to the winds he slipped into it.

"I beg your pardon," he said, turning to them, "but is not your name Gottlieb?"

The young lady blushed and said that it was.

"I knew your mother," the man whispered in defiance to church rules, "ah, what a Hebrew scholar she was!"

The new Christian gentleman frowned.

"Mother's dead now," the girl said sadly, "but her spirit brought us to this church."

The Jew was startled. So she had played false to her soul after all.

He waited for them outside and then thrust himself into their path.

"You hinted that your mother's spirit led you to this church," he said, "May I ask for an explanation? You see, I knew your mother as an observant Jewess."

"Yes, but mother's soul was Christian for all her Jewish observances. All that she taught us we find in this church. Her exalted thoughts were the seed of this church."

"Did your mother never explain to you her Christian writings? Did she never tell you that they were Judaism perverted to meet the intellectual capacity of the Gentile's mind?"

"We never knew that mother wrote for Christians," sister and brother answered in one breath. "What she taught us, we always took for Judaism, but she died suddenly, and then we found her papers signed Amos Teller. They were full of beautiful thoughts on Christ. What she told us about Isaiah, she said there about Christ. It was only a change of names, and it is so inconvenient to be Jews. Then we read of Amos Teller and her teachings in the press. This is her church; her soul has brought us here."

"Ghosts!" the Jew murmured under his breath, but they had passed on beyond earshot. "A lie, and what a price it exacts! She sold her children with her writings." And again he saw her in her backwood cottage and heard again her naive questions. "Have I not written the truth? What is there in a name? What if I call Isaiah Christ. Did not the Jews invent the Santa Claus for them? Did not the Jew, Raphael, paint the Madonna herself a Jewess?"

The rays of the sun shot through the stained glass windows and made them blaze with glory. Christ with his thorny crown stood in Zion's Temple. "I have come to lead you Hebrews to the Truth." Amos Teller had made him say. "O God," the Jew murmured, anguished. "Thou knowest the truth. I stand now face to face with one of the great Hebrew heartbreaks."

The Manchester Guardian reports that fifty-one Jews have been elected to the British Parliament since the repeal of the disabilities clause in 1858

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Moses could see, perhaps from Dan to Beersheba and the Lord had told him that this land within his view should be the heritage of the children of Israel. From my lofty position I was, as I have already stated, enabled to see much further, and somehow it was borne in upon me that the day would come when the children of Israel would eventually extend their borders beyond even the limits of the much wider horizon upon which I was privileged to gaze.

While I was musing thus, I suddenly looked down, and there the Jordan river lay below like a great serpent. Our old battlefields, those fields upon which the sons of Israel had gallantly fought for the redemption of Palestine were plainly visible and gave me a thrill of joy.

The Mellahah and all its desolation was once more revealed to view and I was very glad that I was so far away from that abomination of desolation. Those who have read my book "With the Judeans in Palestine" will fully understand and sympathize.

Jericho, the city of the plains, passed beneath us, and the inhospitable wilderness of Judea spread out in all its naked sterility. Then the spires, domes and minarets of Jerusalem stood out and soon we were over the Holy City, every detail of which was clearly outlined in the brilliant sunshine.

The sterility of everything had been the outstanding feature of the landscape from the moment we had crossed the Euphrates until the Judean hills were left behind; but once over these, what a contrast met our eyes; here in this cozy and lovable little country one could see tillage, verdure, trees, roads and railways, while the blue sea shimmered along its border.

Truly from Dan to Beersheba looked a land eminently desirable from every point of view. Even in the short three years which had elapsed since I had left it, it seemed to have progressed enormously. It was gratifying to see thriving hamlets and towns such as Ludd, Petach Tikvah and Tel Aviv, the orange groves and vineyards of Rishonle-Zion, and the fig and olives of Rehoboth.

Everywhere there was evidence that Jewish brains, Jewish labor and Jewish capital had been largely expended and to good purpose, since I had last seen this alluring land of promise.

Turning northward we sighted from along the coast over Gaza, then our old camping ground at Rafa came into view, and so we went on to Khanyunis, El Arish, across the Sinai desert, to the Suez Canal, and eventually landed close to Cairo on the banks of the Nile.

Altogether it was to me a most interesting and wonderful trip, but the account of the events as they occurred [illegible] view which I had been privileged to obtain of the Promised Land.

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